

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

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DENNIS C. STRONG,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 21-cv-993-pp

v.

STATE OF WISCONSIN,  
WARDEN MICHAEL MEISNER,  
and TERRY SAWALL,

Defendants.

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**ORDER DISMISSING CASE FOR FAILURE TO PAY FILING FEE AND  
FAILING TO COMPLY WITH COURT ORDER**

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On August 24, 2021, the plaintiff filed a complaint alleging that the defendants retaliated against him for complaining about sexual harassment and deprived him of access to the courts. Dkt. No. 1. The plaintiff also filed a motion for leave to proceed without prepaying the filing fee. Dkt. No. 2.

On December 7, 2021, the court issued an order denying the plaintiff's motion to proceed without prepaying the filing fee. Dkt. No. 8. The order noted that the plaintiff had accumulated three "strikes"—that is, that he had three previous cases dismissed for failure to state a claim—and thus that under 28 U.S.C. §1915(g) he could not proceed without prepaying the filing fee unless he demonstrated that he was in imminent danger of serious physical injury. Id. at 1-2. The court concluded that the plaintiff had not made that showing. Id. at 2-3. The court ordered that the plaintiff must pay the full filing fee of \$402 in time for the court to *receive* it by day's end on December 22, 2021. Id. at 3. The

order advised the plaintiff that if the court did not receive the filing fee by the end of the day on December 22, 2021, the court would dismiss the case. Id.

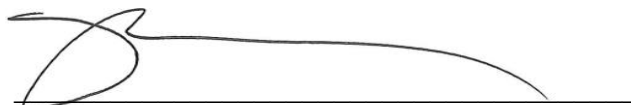
December 22, 2021 has come and gone and the court has not received the filing fee. The court will dismiss the case without prejudice. “The law requires any prisoner who brings a civil action to pay the full filing fee.” 28 U.S.C. §1915(b)(1). The plaintiff is no longer in custody and the court will order him to submit the full \$402 filing fee to the court.

The court **ORDERS** that this case is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** because the plaintiff failed to pay the filing fee by the deadline set by the court and failed to comply with the court’s December 7, 2021 order. The clerk will enter judgment accordingly.

The court **ORDERS** that the plaintiff must pay the \$402 filing fee to the court as soon as possible.

Dated in Milwaukee, Wisconsin this 28th day of December, 2021.

**BY THE COURT:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Pepper', written over a horizontal line.

**HON. PAMELA PEPPER**  
**Chief United States District Judge**